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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An electronic equipment employing a memory member having a solid state storage element as a recording medium, comprising:
 - a main body unit of the equipment for recording the information on a memory member having a solid-state storage element;
 - a memory holder provided on said main body unit of the equipment, said memory holder having a terminal section for connection to a terminal of said memory holder, said memory holder being adapted for detachably holding said memory member;
 - a holder container formed on the outer periphery of said casing for accommodating the memory holder therein; and
 - a holder operating mechanism for causing movement of said memory holder between a loading/unloading position enabling loading/unloading of said memory member for said memory holder and a housing position for housing said memory holder in said holder container in a manner such as not to permit loading/unloading of said memory member;
- said holder operating mechanism maintaining contact between said memory member and the terminal section in a state in which the memory holder having said memory member loaded thereon has been moved from its position within the holder container to the loading/unloading position.

2. The electronic equipment according to claim 1 further comprising:

a memory inserting/detachment for inserting/detachment said memory member for said memory holder.

3. The electronic equipment according to claim 1 wherein said holder operating mechanism includes a lock member for restricting movement of said memory holder and a restriction-removing operating member for removing restrictions imposed by said lock member.

4. The electronic equipment according to claim 2 wherein said memory inserting/detachment member includes an ejecting member for ejecting said memory member from within the memory holder and an ejection operating member for operating said ejecting member.

5. The electronic equipment according to claim 1 wherein said main body unit of the equipment includes a cartridge holder for loadably/unloadably holding a recording medium cartridge carrying an information recording medium, said casing having an opening for causing the cartridge holder to face outwards and a lid for opening/closing said opening, said memory holder and the holder container being mounted on said lid.

6. The electronic equipment according to claim 1 wherein said holder container is formed at a mid portion on the outer peripheral surface of said casing.

7. The electronic equipment according to claim 1 further comprising:

detection means for detecting that said memory holder has been moved from within the holder container.

8. The electronic equipment according to claim 5 wherein said lid is rotationally

~~mounted on said main body unit of the equipment and wherein said memory holder is rotationally mounted relative to said lid.~~

9. The electronic equipment according to claim 5 wherein said restriction-removing operating member of said holder operating mechanism is provided on said lid.

10. The electronic equipment according to claim 2 wherein an ejection member of said memory inserting/detachment mechanism is provided at a cut-out portion of said memory holder and accommodated in said holder container.

11. The electronic equipment according to claim 1 wherein a major surface facing the outside of the memory holder is formed substantially in continuation to the outer peripheral surface of said casing.

12. The electronic equipment according to claim 1 wherein a window through which the memory member may be checked visually as to possible presence of the memory member held in said memory holder is provided in said memory holder.